

Core Council Minutes
11/7/2016

Attendance

Core Council Members

Belinda Blevins-Knabe
Michael DeAngelis
Mark Funk
Joe Felan

Rebecca Street
Nick Jovanovic
Brian Mitchell
Tusty Ten Bensel

Absent

Elizabeth Sloan Davidson
Linda Stauffer

Guests

Ross Bradley (Provost Office)

1. 10/24/16 Minutes Approved, 10/31/16 Minutes Approved
2. Amendment to send to Faculty Senate – Approved (unanimous)

Funk: move
Felan: second

Amendment to: FS#2012-13_11

Motion:

The Core Council has the authority to change the learning outcomes of a UALR core curricular area.

Commentary:

Changes in learning outcomes can be initiated by the Core Council or by members of a core curricular area. The Core Council is responsible for maintaining the criteria to determine whether a course is appropriate to satisfy a curricular area in the UALR Core and developing and maintaining a plan to assess educational outcomes of the UALR Core. The assessment process produces information about needed changes in curriculum at multiple levels including learning outcomes. In order to establish a flexible and responsive process the Core Council needs the authority to change the learning outcomes of UALR Core curricular areas.

3. Math Assessment Policy – Approved (unanimous)

Funk: moved

DeAngelis: second

As the majority of UALR students satisfy their mathematics core requirement by completing either Quantitative and Mathematical Reasoning (MATH 1321) or College Algebra (MATH1302), the Mathematics CAAC will assess these courses by following the procedures that the Core Council requires of all curricular areas.

Students who satisfy their mathematics core requirement by completing a core mathematics course that requires QMR or College Algebra as a prerequisite have demonstrated their ability to meet the core student learning outcomes through placement. The Mathematics CAAC will assess the efficacy of placement into these courses."

4. Discussion of Common Rubrics to present to CAACs on 11/14/2016

Will present common rubrics as modified by DeAngelis.

Will ask faculty to rank educational goals